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FOR LARRY PIPER FROM AMBASSADOR FOX

DEPARTMENT FOR TUMMINIA, ARA/CAR

E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: OVIP, TD
SUBJECT: VISIT BY BRIGADIER SERRETTE

1. BRIGADIER JOFFRE SERRETTE, COMMANDER OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO DEFENSE FORCE, WILL BE ARRIVING IN NEW YORK DECEMBER 19 WITH HIS WIFE (MARINA) AND TWO CHILDREN FOR TWO WEEKS' PRIVATE STAY AT NEW YORK HILTON. I WOULD APPRECIATE IT IF, IN ADDITION TO APPROPRIATE ARRIVAL ASSISTANCE, YOU COULD OFFER TO ARRANGE TOUR OF UN BUILDINGS FOR SERRETTES, AS WELL AS THEIR INCLUSION IN ANY OFFICIAL USUN ENTERTAINING INTO WHICH THEY MIGHT FIT. ALSO WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR CHECKING WITH AMBASSADOR MCHENRY TO SEE IF HE COULD MEET BRIGADIER SERRETTE.

2. SERRETTE WAS CALLED OUT OF RETIREMENT BY PM ERIC WILLIAMS TO TAKE UP HIS PRESENT DUTIES DURING THE "BLACK POWER" DISTURBANCES WITHIN T&T REGIMENT IN 1970. NOW PAST THE MANDATORY RETIREMENT AGE, THE 61-YEAR-OLD
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SERRETTE REMAINS VERY MUCH IN CHARGE, AND THERE ARE NO INDICATIONS THAT HE IS ABOUT TO BE REPLACED OR HAS SERIOUS CHALLENGERS AT PRESENT. ALTHOUGH A FRIENDLY AND COOPERATIVE CONTACT OF THIS EMBASSY, HE HAS HAD ONLY CURSORY DIRECT EXPOSURE TO THE U.S. IN THE PAST, AND I BELIEVE A SUCCESSFUL VISIT AT THIS TIME WOULD HELP TO GIVE HIM BROADER AND MORE ACCURATE PERSPECTIVE ON THE U.S.

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3. FYI. SERRETTES TRAVELLING VIA BWIA 420 WHICH ARRIVES
NYC MIDAFTERNOON ON DECEMBER 19. MANY THANKS FOR YOU
ASSISTANCE.
FOX

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